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- (b) a dispensing means, to dispense the coin rolls from a bottom of the receptacle;  
(c) a controller, to control the dispensing means responsive to instructions from a user;

and

- (d) a rotating device to prevent bridging;

wherein, upon receiving instructions from a user to dispense coin rolls, said controller controls said dispensing means so that said coin rolls are dispensed from the receptacle.

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8.(Amended) The apparatus according to claim 1, further including a front wall hinged to be openable, to facilitate replacement of coin rolls.

24.(Amended) A change making machine, said machine comprising:

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- (a) an apparatus for use in dispensing coin rolls, said coin rolls being stored in a vertically stacked array, said apparatus having a rotating device to prevent bridging of said coin rolls;  
(b) a vault to hold one or more apparatuses; and  
(c) a user interface, to receive instructions from a user, to validate said instructions, and to control the dispensing of coin rolls from the apparatuses; wherein, upon receiving instructions from the user to dispense coin rolls, and upon validating said instructions, said user interface controls said apparatuses so that said coin rolls are dispensed from the apparatuses.

#### **REMARKS**

The specification has been amended on page 1 to indicate that this application is a national stage entry of PCT/CA00/01046 filed 13 September 2000 which claims priority from Canadian Patent Application number 2,282,104 filed 13 September 1999 .

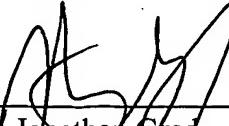
Claims 1 and 24 have been amended to add the additional element of a rotating device to prevent bridging. Support for the amendment may be found in the discussion of the kicker plate 72 on pages 18-19 of the application. Claims 4-7 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Finally, claim 8 has been rewritten to depend from claim 1. A marked-up copy of the amended claims indicating the amendments that have been made to the claims is submitted herewith.

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*Preliminary Amendment*

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**In the Specification**

the following paragraph has been added on page 1, line 2:

--This application is a national stage entry of PCT/CA00/01046 filed 13 September 2000 which claims priority from Canadian Patent Application number 2,282,104 filed 13 September 1999.--

**In the Claims**

Claims 4, 5, 6, and 7 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Claims 1, 8 and 24 have been amended as follows:

1.(Amended) An apparatus for use in dispensing coin rolls, said apparatus comprising:

- (a) a receptacle, to hold the coin rolls in a vertically stacked array;
- (b) a dispensing means, to dispense the coin rolls from a bottom of the receptacle; [and]
- (c) a controller, to control the dispensing means responsive to instructions from a user;

and

- (d) a rotating device to prevent bridging;

wherein, upon receiving instructions from a user to dispense coin rolls, said controller controls said dispensing means so that said coin rolls are dispensed from the receptacle.

8.(Amended) The apparatus according to claim[s 6 or 7] 1, further including a front wall hinged to be openable, to facilitate replacement of coin rolls.

24.(Amended) A change making machine, said machine comprising:

- (a) an apparatus for use in dispensing coin rolls, said coin rolls being stored in a vertically stacked array, said apparatus having a rotating device to prevent bridging of said coin rolls;
- (b) a vault to hold one or more apparatuses; and
- (c) a user interface, to receive instructions from a user, to validate said instructions, and to control the dispensing of coin rolls from the apparatuses; wherein, upon receiving instructions from the user to dispense coin rolls, and upon validating said instructions, said user interface controls said apparatuses so that said coin rolls are dispensed from the apparatuses.